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Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ, 85007

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RE: Docket Numbers: E-01345A-16-0036 & E-01345A-16-0123

Dear Mr. Chairman and Commissioners,

The mission of the American Council for Consumer Awareness, Inc. for over four decades has been and continues to be the protection of consumer interests while also educating them on important issues.

On behalf of the American Council for Consumer Awareness, Inc., I strongly recommend that the ACC votes no to any bill increases that would allow APS to unjustifiably charge their consumers more, including for the basic service charge. In other jurisdictions there have been fixed charges but the costs have been much lower. In these cases, consumers are charged per electrical usage, which makes these types of programs fairer for consumers. The APS proposed fixed rate is much too high and unwarranted.

Since APS has failed to show any real legitimacy behind their desire to increase the basic service cost to consumers we ask you, the elected commissioners, to do what is best for Arizona consumers and deny APS the approval for increased charges to residential ratepayers.

Most Sincerely, Ken Benner President Emeritus

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